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In response to the official action mailed May 16, 2005, please enter the following before reconsideration of this application.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 57, 60 and 66, without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter therein.